



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Agoston et al.

Application No. 10/053,529

Filed: November 2, 2001

Confirmation No. 1688

For: ULTRAFAST SAMPLER WITH NON-
PARALLEL SHOCKLINE

Examiner: Patricia T. Nguyen

Art Unit: 2816

Attorney Reference No. 6469-61238

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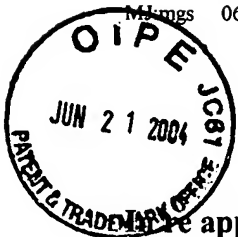
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AMENDMENT

This responds to the Office action dated February 17, 2004. Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 9.



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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is an Amendment for the above application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
For	No. after amendment	No. paid for previously	Present Extra	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	36	- 52*	= 0	\$9.00	\$ 0.00
Indep. Claims	4	- 14**	= 0	\$43.00	\$ 0.00
Mult. Dep. Claims Fee (if not previously paid)				\$145.00	
One-month Extension of Time				\$55.00	\$55.00
Two-month Extension of Time				\$210.00	
Three-month Extension of Time				\$475.00	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$0.00

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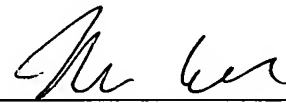
Applicants petition for an extension of time for the number of months indicated above. If an additional extension of time is required please consider this a petition therefor.

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$55.00 is attached.
- ☒ Please charge any additional fees that may be required in connection with filing this amendment and any extension of time, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4550. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Please return the enclosed postcard to confirm that the items listed above have been received.

Respectfully submitted,

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